

DNA Intro Questions

Biology

(Adapted from “DNA Structure” website - <http://molvis.sdsc.edu/dna>)

Use web resources to type the answers to these questions **on your own**. (Wikipedia has a particularly useful entry on DNA; the website above is excellent as well.)

When you are done, please e-mail your responses to dan.bregar@corvallis.k12.or.us with the subject heading “per *X your name* DNA Intro Q’s”.

1. What is a "strand" of DNA?
2. How many strands make up a DNA double helix?
3. What holds one strand against the other in the double helix?
4. How do cells make accurate copies of DNA?
5. During what process do cells need to duplicate their DNA?
6. What information is coded into DNA?
7. What is a "codon"?
8. What is “replication” of DNA?
9. What is "transcription" of DNA?
10. What is "translation" of DNA?
11. What are the four DNA bases? Include the full name and the standard initials.
12. What is RNA and how does it differ from DNA?
13. What are some of the things RNA is used for?